STAND. COM. REP. NO. 182

Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 0 1 2015

RE: S.C.R. No. 113

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 113 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO TELEVISE OR MAKE AVAILABLE ONLINE ITS MEETINGS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Board of Education to televise or otherwise make available online its meetings.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association, League of Women Voters, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that despite being open to the public, many members of the public are unable to attend Board of Education meetings due to geography or employment commitments. It is appropriate to televise or otherwise provide access to video of Board meetings. Such access would result in a more informed populace, and may encourage more members of the community to provide testimony to the Board. Greater public involvement may also lead to more informed policy decisions, and an increased sense of connection among the Board, communities, and schools.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 113 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Education,

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Education EDU

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)		V		·	
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)		<b>/</b>			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne					/
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		<b>V</b>			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.					V
KOUCHI, Ronald D.					<b>V</b>
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.					✓
THIELEN, Laura H.		$\sqrt{}$			
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Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:  Breene Hour					
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